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COMBINATIONS OF CERAMIDE AND CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC AGENTS FOR

INDUCING CELL DEATH AND USES THEREOF IN TREATING CANCER

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| Transmitted herewit | h is | an | amendment | to | the | above | identified | application |
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Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

X No additional fee is required.

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| Total<br>Claims   | 14                      | - | 26                     | = | 0   | х | \$9             | \$18            | = | 0               | 0               |
| Indepen-<br>dent<br>Claims                                    | 4                       | - | 8                      | = | 0   | x | \$40.00         | \$80.00         | = | 0               | 0               |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Presented Yes X No For First Time |                         |   |                        |   |   |   | \$135           | \$270           | 0 | 0               | 0               |

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Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 16, 2001 FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to the March 16, 2001 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 16, 2001 Final Office Action is due June 16, 2001. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

## In The Claims

Please cancel claims 1-18 without prejudice to applicants' rights to pursue such subject matter in a continuing application.

Please add new claims 20-33 as follows: